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In re Patent Application of Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 **Expedited Procedure** Nicolangelo PEDUTO et al. Technology Center Application No.: 09/462,179 Group Art Unit: 1772 Filed: March 10, 2000 Examiner: Marc A. Patterson MULTILAYER STRUCTURE BASED ON POLYAMIDES AND TUBE OR Confirmation No.: 4762 CONDUIT WITH MULTILAYER

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action (final rejection) issued on September 23, 2003, and further to the Interview with Examiner Patterson of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office conducted on February 19, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Amendments to the claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins at page 2 of this paper. As well, Applicants' remarks begin at page 7 of this paper.